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ANNIVERSARY ATLAS AND 19TH CENTURY MAPS FORM G&M EXHIBITS

American Railroad Maps

A 19th-century exhibit of American railroad maps will be on display in the Geography and Map Division, 845 South Pickett St., Alexandria, Va., until October 31. This exhibit features a selection of maps depicting the scope and development of American railroads as reflected in the numerous and varied maps in the Library's map collection. The selected maps vary widely in area, content, and scale. Some cover major segments of the country and depict the interrelationship of various modes of transportation. Others resemble contemporary "strip" road maps and show only a ribbon of land immediately adjacent to a specific railroad right-of-way. There has been increased interest in rail transit from our patrons both from the academic community and the Federal Government.

U.S. Statistical Atlases, 1874-1974

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the publication of the first statistical or thematic atlas of the United States. Compiled by Francis A. Walker, Superintendent of the Bureau of the Census, the atlas was prepared to illustrate the ninth decennial census of population of the United States, conducted in 1870. In honor of this event, a copy of the 1874 *Statistical Atlas* will be displayed in the Reading Room of the Geography and Map Division through October 31.

On plates XVIII-XIX, pages to which the atlas is opened, is a "Map showing in Five Degrees of Density, the Distribution, within the Territory of the United States, of the Constitutional Population." Displayed next to the 1874 atlas is its modern, sophisticated counterpart, *The National Atlas of the United States*, compiled under the direction of Arch C. Gerlach, former chief of the Library's Geography and Map Division, and published in 1970 by the United States Geological Survey. The *National Atlas* is opened to pages 242-243 containing a map of the United States showing "Population Distribution, Urban and Rural: 1960."

LIBRARY CITED FOR PARTICIPATION BY ARLINGTON RED CROSS PROGRAM

To all those multi-gallon donors to the American National Red Cross Blood Program, and to others who have contributed of themselves each time the Blood Mobile Unit has rolled around, the donation of blood must seem a worthwhile, if at times unsung and unnoticed calling to society's needs. The service of giving blood so that others may live has its most beneficial rewards, it would seem, only in the personal satisfaction it brings the individual donor.

The Arlington County Chapter of the Red Cross Blood Program, however, wants Library donors to know their contributions have not been forgotten,

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and has sent its personal thanks in the form of a Certificate of Appreciation to all those who participated in such an unselfish way. Addressed to the Librarian, and signed by Charles McD. Radigan, Chairman of the Program, the accompanying letter expresses gratitude for the "outstanding cooperation" on the part of the Library over the past year, and for the help the Library has extended to the community as a whole by its attention to this vital need. It is nice to know that credit sometimes is given where credit is due.

USDA AND LC OFFER TRAINING COURSES

USDA Fall Quarter Schedule

The U.S. Department of Agriculture Graduate School has available for distribution its Fall quarter schedule of classes. Mail registration will be accepted through September 6. Registration in person will be conducted at the Library of Congress, West Lobby, Annex Building, September 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and from September 21-28 at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Patio, Administration (North) Building, Independence Avenue between 12th and 14th Streets, S.W., Washington, D.C. Additional information, schedules, and catalogs are available from the Graduate School, 447-6337 or Code 151, ext. 76337, or the Library's Training Office, ext. 6348.

LC Spanish Language Course

The Library's Training Office will be offering a Spanish course, to be held on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from October 2 through December 11, in the Main Building, Room 324C from 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. This course is intended for those employees who need to acquire a working knowledge of a foreign language in their present positions. Further information is available from the Training Office, ext. 6349.

STAFF NEWS

RETIREMENT

Olivera E. Durgy, Senior Laboratory Technician, Camera, Processing, and Printing Unit, Photoduplication Service, retired from the Library on June 28, following a career of more than 23 years at the Library and a combined total of 42 years in professional photography. She worked earlier in her career as a photo finisher with Fleet Photo Service.

Miss Durgy was well-known as a thoroughly competent and dependable photographic technician. She has been recognized many times by exhibitors and professional photographers for her excellent work in photoreproduction.

Her colleagues honored her at luncheons and dinners and a reception was held on June 28, in the Photoduplication Service, with many of her coworkers and friends from the Library attending.

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Morton H. Friedman, Automated Systems Coordinator, Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, presented two papers at the 65th Annual Special Libraries Association Conference held on June 9-13, in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The first paper was "A Case Study in Successful Library Computerization (Medium Sized Library)." In this, he provided an overview of an approach using government-owned hardware and software to quickly develop automated systems. He discussed publications in hard copy and microfiche of a book catalog, accessions listings, on-line circulation file, and specialized data bases. By utilizing systems already developed, the entire conversion effort of manual data files, and incorporation of new technologies, only one

calendar year was required for the system to become operational.

In a second paper, "An Overview of Remote Terminal Usage Technology in the United States," he explained usages of terminals in a library environment. Also incorporated was a brief introduction to information networks. He expressed the belief that the new equipment and lower costs will enable the smallest library to take advantage of automation by sharing resources through information networks. The increased capability to answer user requests, moreover, should result in libraries' assuming a greater degree of importance to their patrons.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

Appointments: Michael C. Abney, library aid, GS-3, Loan, 10-600; Richard R. Greenfield, searcher, GS-6, LL Eur, 7019; David I. Gresty, editorial assistant, GS-5, CRS D, 6759; Cheryl D. Hoffman, language specialist, GS-7, FRD, 6812; Robert G. Hoyer, specialist in social legislation, GS-15, CRS Ed, 6788; Paul D. Ledvina, cataloger, GS-7, Cop Cat, 6815; Ellen-Ingeborg Scott, library assistant, GS-4, LL E, 6848.

Temporary Appointments: Jane Floyd, arranger-filer, GT-3, Cat Publ, NP; Roger F. Noble, Jr., data processing technician, GS-5, ISO, 6778; Pamela M. Switzer, library aid, GS-1, Desc Cat, NP; Philip C. Thompson, library technician, GT-4, Photodup, 6802.

Promotions: Rickie L. Agee, CRS E, to cash accounting clerk, GS-4, FMO, 7036; Joseph S. Brown to computer console equipment operator, GS-7, ISO, 6790; Penelope L. Chambers, Cop Cat, to clerical assistant, GS-4, Subj Cat, 6851; Lucille R. Miser to clerk-typist, GS-5, Cop Serv, 6854.

Transfers: Katharine K. Elsasser, Desc Cat, to librarian, GS-9, Subj Cat, 6799; Charles L. Moran, Card, to assistant to the automated operations specialist, GS-7, Ord, NP; William E. Stokes, Bind, to deck attendant, GS-3, S&R, 2-600.

Resignations: Mark Albert, E&G; Grace E. Arrington, Ord; Eloyce M. Bate, Cop Cat; Lois E. Birchler, Cop Ref; Glenn M. Drohan, CRS Ed; Natalie Forowa, S&R; Terrie Jean Gale, CRS GGR; Marion K. Grant, Share Cat; Dawn E. Hansen, CRS D; Francis F. Harper, Jr., Sci; Zander L. Ingram, Jr., CMO; Adlai J. Jefferson, Loan, Janet M. Lawrence, CRS A; Kenneth A. Latten, Cop Serv; Cheryl D. McKenzie, Cop Serv; Karen A. Oram, LAPS; Kimmberley L. Parker, CRS GGR; Milton E. Perry, Photodup; Bradley J. Pryor, Photodup; Chauncey F. Richardson, Card; Gary M. Seay, CRS L; Jacqueline L. Shillings, Ord; Edward S. Silvera, Card; Milton C. Stevens, Cop Serv; Edith Jo Tepper, CRS D; Joseph V. Vasapoli, S&R; Christi Anne White, CRS S; Wayne E. Wood, Cop Exam.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Bogert are the parents of Christopher Thomas, born August 10 at Potomac Hospital in Woodbridge, Va. Mr. Bogert is a Library Technician in the Materials Control Section of the Service Division, Copyright Office. Mrs. Bogert is an Instructor at Accotink Academy in Springfield, Va.

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS PUBLICATIONS

Accessions List: Middle East. ISSN 0041-7769. Vol. 12, No. 4. April 1974. (pp. 51-75.) Continuing subscriptions free to libraries upon request to the Acting Field Director, Library of Congress Office, American Embassy, Cairo, Arab Republic of Egypt.

With this issue the *Accessions List: Middle East* appears with a new cover featuring the name of the publication in burnt-orange, decorative Kufic characters against a golden-yellow background. The handsome design was made by Nagwa Elashry, an artist on the staff of the al-Ahram Organization and Microfilm Center, Cairo, and presented by al-Ahram as a gesture of good will to the Library of Congress PL-480 Program.

Cooperative Publication Projects: The National Union Catalog: Pre-1956 Imprints. A Cumulative Author List Representing Library of Congress Printed Cards and Titles Reported by Other American Libraries. Vols. 330-334; Levick, G. M.–Linné, Carl Von. Compiled and edited with the cooperation of the Library of Congress and the National Union Catalog Subcommittee of the Resources Committee of the Resources and Technical Services Division, American Library Association. For sale by Mansell Information/Publishing Ltd., 3 Bloomsbury Place, London WC1A 2QA, England, about $25-$30 each depending on the mode of payment. Particulars are available from the publisher.

NEW REFERENCE WORK

Directory of Federally Supported Information Analysis Centers, Third Edition. 1974. (viii, 55 p.) Compiled by the National Referral Center, Science and Technology Division. For sale by the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, Va. 22151, at $3.75 in hardcopy and $1.45 in microfiche (Order number PB 233 582/AS).

This directory was first issued in 1968 by the now defunct Committee on Scientific and Technical Information (COSATI) of the Federal Council for Science and Technology, Executive Office of the President. A revised edition was produced for COSATI by the National Referral Center in 1970. The present edition was prepared in consultation with the interagency Ad Hoc Group on Information Analysis Centers–an informal group of ex-members of COSATI Panel 6 in which the Library is represented by James R. Trew, Assistant Chief for Information Services in the Science and Technology Division.

Described in the directory are 108 centers that share two common attributes: (1) they produce new, evaluated information through the collection and analysis or synthesis of information by subject specialists, and (2) they are part of or sponsored by the Federal Government. In addition to its name, address, and telephone number, each entry describes a center's mission, scope, document and data holdings, principal publications, the information services it provides, qualified users of its services, and the makeup of its staff. Also listed are the names of center directors or other persons to contact, the names of sponsoring agencies (where applicable), and the year each center was started. Four indexes are included: personal names, geographic, organizations, and subject. [*Staffan Rosenborg*]

NEWS IN THE LIBRARY WORLD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **American Film Institute** has established a pilot program aimed at giving women greater opportunities in directing feature films. The program will begin this fall with a workshop for professional women at the AFI Center for Advanced Film Studies in Beverly Hills, Calif. Funding for the pilot program was granted by the Rockefeller Foundation. Twelve of 50 women proposed as candidates will be invited to participate in the pilot program. The workshop will be modeled after the very successful AFI-Screen Actors Guild Conservatory Program, and along with the AFI-American Society of Cinematographers series, will carry forward the aim of the AFI to be a focus for both students and professionals in the film community.

The Renwick Gallery of the Smithsonian Institution has announced a National competition for craftsmen in the United States who produce multiple objects (editions of at least 10 of the same design), such as papermaking items and bookbindings. To verify the high creative and technical standards of craftsmen working in traditions of personal production of well-designed, useful objects, emphasis is directed away from the artist who produces unique art objects using craft techniques and materials. Objects cannot be one-of-a-kind or mass-produced beyond the personal control of the craftsman.

Between 50 and 100 works will be selected for a seven month premiere showing at the Renwick Gallery, followed by a three-year National tour. Craftsmen may request entry forms from the Renwick Gallery, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C. 20560.

Richard Simpson, Technical Assistance Staff, Office of the Director, National Archives and Records Service, has retired from the National Audiovisual Center. An Acquisitions and Disposal Staff within the Office of the Director will assume the duties of Mr. Simpson, plus additional responsibilities.

UNESCO, in the *Book Promotion News* May issue, announces that in late 1973, the Colombian legislature passed La Ley del Libro, a national law providing for a co-ordinated program to encourage the production and distribution of books. The new act, called a "model law" for books, spells out practical measures for promoting books.

The May issue also announces the reprinting of the UNESCO publication, *The Book Hunger*, into many different languages for distribution throughout the world. The book reports on the shortages of printed matter in some regions of the world.

APPOINTMENTS

Rose Vainstein has been appointed Margaret Mann Distinguished Professor of Library Science at the University of Michigan, effective September 1. Miss Vainstein joined the Michigan faculty in 1968 as Professor of Library Science following a highly successful career in the public library field.

James E. Skipper, currently Executive Vice-President of Kraus Thomson Organization, has been appointed Director of the Research Libraries Group (RLG), a recently formed consortium of the research libraries of The New York Public Library, Yale, Harvard, and Columbia Universities. Mr. Skipper has served as the first Executive Director of the Association of Research Libraries.

Grants

The **National Endowment for the Humanities** has established a research tools program beginning with Fiscal Year 1975. About $2,200,000 is expected to

be available for the production of basic research reference works such as bibliographies, atlases, catalogs, and dictionaries. The aim of the program is to support projects which promise to open up new research in whole new areas, rather than support aids for the study of narrow subjects.

This program will not be a permanent one, but it is expected that over a 10-year period most of the significant tools projects in the humanities can be funded. Deadlines for the coming year are November 18, for projects scheduled to begin after September 1, 1975; and May 6, 1975, for projects scheduled to begin after January 1, 1976. Requests for information should be addressed to the Research Division, National Endowment for the Humanities, 806 15th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20506.

INSTITUTE, CONFERENCE, AND SEMINAR

The **Library Institutes Planning Committee's** seventh annual institute entitled "International Standards for Cataloging: An Institute on ISBD, ISSN, NSDP, and Chapter 6, AACR," will be held on October 18-19, in Palo Alto, Calif. Registration forms may be obtained by writing to: Joseph E. Ryus, 2858 Oxford Ave., Richmond, Calif. 94806, or by telephoning Mr. Ryus during weekday hours at the University of California, Berkeley, (415) 642-4144.

The New England Chapter of the **Association of College and Research Libraries** and the College and University Section of **Connecticut Library Association** are co-sponsoring a seminar entitled "Sharing the MRAP Experience," at the University of Connecticut, Storrs, on October 22. The seminar will examine the application of the Association of Research Libraries' Management Review and Analysis Program at the University of Connecticut Library.

Registration is limited to 150 persons on a first come, first served basis. The $5 fee includes lunch and the afternoon program. For further information, contact Doris R. Brown, University of Connecticut Library, Storrs, Conn. 06268; for registration contact Lynn Derosiers, Box U-56, University of Connecticut, Storrs, Conn. 06268.

The **University of Iowa**, School of Library Science is sponsoring a conference entitled "New Approaches in Reference Services," on Wednesday, September 18, for academic, public, school, and special librarians who provide reference service. For further information, write to: Center for Conferences and Institutes, Iowa Memorial Union, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa 52242, or telephone (319) 353-5505.

PUBLICATIONS

A *Guide to Programs* of the National Endowment for the Arts which describes assistance programs for individuals and organizations on architecture and environmental arts, dance, education, expansion arts, Federal-State partnership, literature, museums, music, public media, special projects, theater, and visual arts is now available. Each of these programs has its own staff and panel of experts and/or consultants and information is included on how to obtain applications and instructions from these program offices. The book may be ordered for $1.50 from the National Endowment for the Arts, Washington, D.C. 20506; or from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402, using GPO Stock Number 3600-30022.

The eighth in the *Tarlton Law Library Legal Bibliography Series: A Bibliography of Legal Tapes and Cassettes*, compiled by Ann Beardsley, contains over 350 entries, most created by continuing legal education institutions throughout the United States. This 68-page bibliography may be ordered with a check payable to the University of Texas Law School Foundation and mailed to Adrienne deVergie, Tarlton Law Library, University of Texas School of Law, 2500 Red River, Austin, Texas 78705.

SCHOLARSHIP

The **Special Libraries Association** will be awarding five $2,000 scholarships for the 1975-76 academic year for graduate study leading to a master's degree at a recognized school of library or information science. Details and applications may be requested by writing to: Special Libraries Association, Scholarship Committee, 235 Park Ave. S., New York, N.Y. 10003. Applications must be returned by January 15, 1975; awards will be granted in May 1975.

OTHER NEWS

National Academy of Sciences Establishes New Committee

A new Committee on International Scientific and Technical Information Programs (CISTIP) has been established within the Commission on International Relations of the National Academy of Sciences-National Research Council. The committee, its subcommittees, and staff will provide continuing reviews, analyses, and information to the National Academy of Sciences, the National Science Foundation, and other bodies on issues and activities relating to United States participation in the planning, development, coordination, operation, and financing of inter-

national scientific and technical information programs.

Such programs may include major nongovernmental organizations with significant information programs relevant to science and technology; the UNISIST program of UNESCO, and other selected international and regional intergovernmental programs; and scientific and technical information components of United States bilateral science cooperation and exchange programs, and technical assistance programs for developing countries.

Priority tasks identified by the committee are to identify and elucidate U.S. science and technological interests and objectives that are being served by U.S. participation in international information programs; to examine the benefits and cost effectiveness of U.S. participation in these programs; and to recommend priorities for U.S. participation in them. The committee will also provide a forum for developing and channeling positions of the U.S. scientific, technical, and information communities in the private sector on the budgets, programs, and future directions of the UNISIST program. Subcommittees of CISTIP have been established as U.S. National Committees for the International Federation for Documentation (USNCFID) and the U.S. National Committee for the ICSU Abstracting Board (USNC ICSU/AB) to represent the National Academy of Sciences interests as the U.S. National member in these two organizations.

The committee, its subcommittees, and staff will also interact on international information matters with other National Academy of Sciences bodies and will establish liaison with those U.S. organizations and individuals who participate in, or are affected by the international information programs within the purview of CISTIP. Financial support for the committee, its subcommittees, and staff is provided by the Office of Science Information Service of the National Science Foundation.

Scott Adams, Director of the Center for International Education at the University of Louisville, serves as chairman of CISTIP.

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